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C O N F I D E N T I A L SINGAPORE 2003

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SREF

SUBJ: VIETNAMESE DIPLOMATS

REF: SINGAPORE 1704 #

1. AS REPORTED REFTTEL, 22 VIETNAMESE EMBASSY PERSONNEL REQUESTED UNITED STATES ASYLUM. TO DATE, TWO HAVE PROCEEDED TO ITALY AND SIX TO FRANCE. ACCORDING TO VIETNAMESE CHARGE TRUONG BUU DIEN, REMAINING 14 HAVE BEEN ISSUED FRENCH VISIT VISAS VALID FOR THREE MONTHS AND PLAN TO LEAVE FOR PARIS BY MAY 18. THE 14 ARE RELUCTANT TO REMAIN IN SINGAPORE BECAUSE OF FEARS THAT GOS RECOGNITION OF PRG IS FORTHCOMING AND THAT THEIR CONTINUED PRESENCE WOULD NOT ONLY BE AN EMBARRASSMENT TO GOS BUT COULD ALSO LEAD TO PRESSURE BY PRG TO FORCE THEIR RETURN TO VIETNAM.

2. DIEN HAS INDICATED THAT REMAINING 14 STILL SEEK UNITED STATES ASYLUM AND WILL PURSUE MATTER AT EMBASSY PARIS. IT IS NOT KNOWN WHETHER THE SIX ALREADY PRESENT IN FRANCE WILL CONTINUE TO SEEK UNITED STATES ASYLUM.

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3. REMAINING 14 INCLUDE TRUONG WITH WIFE AND FOUR CHILDREN, MRS.

LE THI LIEN, MRS. HO THI LIEN, MR. NGUYEN QUOC VONG, MR. AND MRS.
NGUYEN NGOC TRI AND TWO CHILDREN, AND MISS LE THI THU CUC. MR. AND
MRS. NGO LUC DUYEN AND THREE CHILDREN AND MRS. DUONG THI
BICH HAVE ALREADY LEFT FOR FRANCE. MR. AND MRS. VU LUC HAVE LEFT
FOR ROME, WHERE THEY HAVE REPORTEDLY BEEN GRANTED TEMPORARY
ENTRY.
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